

PROUTT SELECTED AS NEW CHAIRMAN OF WATER BOARD

Local Engineer Will Succeed
Wellford Sept. 1, Mayor
Paine Announces After Con-
ference.

F. G. Proutt, local engineer, has been selected as chairman of the Memphis water commission to succeed J. T. Wellford, whose resignation was handed to Mayor Paine several weeks ago. Mr. Proutt will assume his new duties Sept. 1. Announcement of Mr. Proutt's appointment was made late Thursday by Mayor Paine following a conference with Mr. Proutt.

In announcing the appointment of Mr. Proutt, the mayor stated that the water commission for some time past had been in a state of confusion and that it was necessary to select a new chairman to take charge of the commission.

Mr. Proutt is one of the leaders of his profession and during the war served the government as an engineering officer with the War Finance Corporation.

For a period of nine years he was superintendent of the Memphis Gas and Electric Company and he is a man of recognized ability.

It is said that Mr. Proutt declined the chairmanship when it was tendered him and yielded only after the mayor had declared his services.

The appointment of Mr. Proutt dispels any idea of changing the form of operation of the water department and the plan that has been in operation for years.

Three commissioners administering the affairs of the department.

The Memphis water department is in a critical condition both financially and physically and its reorganization throughout will be necessary in order to fit it to meet the demands of the city and a large amount of work will be necessary to bring about this condition of affairs.

**Shippers Advised
Of Raised Ratings
To Be Considered**

Revision of ratings and rearrangement of classification on 1 article of Western territory will be taken up by the Interstate Commerce Commission at its hearing on August 13 and 14.

For New York City August 13 and 14, for Chicago August 13 and 14, for St. Louis August 13 and 14, for Memphis August 13 and 14.

Both advances and decreases in rates will figure in the new schedule. The general object is to bring about a more uniform classification between the official Southern and Western schedules.

In the notice of subjects to be considered, embracing a book of 10 pages, are included several commodities that vitally affect Memphis industries. As soon as possible, an analysis of the changes proposed will be made by the freight bureau and sent to Memphis shippers for any representations they have to make.

A few of the things included in the list are: Cotton, ginning machinery, sugar, corn meal, grain products, agricultural machinery and various other commodities.

According to casual inspection, the changes will leave the schedule about the same as at present, the decrease on many articles offsetting increases on others.

**MERCHANTS URGED TO
ATTEND CONVENTION**

All commercial organizations in the tri-state territory have been urged to attend the annual convention of the Cotton States Merchants' Association, which convenes in Memphis Tuesday, in a letter sent out by J. A. O'Connell, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Thursday.

The organizations are not only requested to send representatives but have been asked to send as many speakers as possible and also enter into the contest for the best speech on the subject, "What is Your Chamber of Commerce Doing for Your City?"

Secretary Birmingham, of the association, has completed the reception committee, which will meet the delegates upon their arrival here. The personnel of the committee headed by Chairman H. A. Damsay, is J. T. Fisher, E. L. Rice, L. P. Jones, W. E. Holt, McKay Van Vleet, T. M. Baiter, Granville Preece, Jeanne Currie, D. B. Fargason, L. M. Stratton, Noland Fontaine, W. E. Stansbury, George B. James, William Orrell, Ewing Carruthers, Leo L. Levy, Dorey H. White, J. J. Wade, S. H. Phillips, Taylor Malone, R. E. Ellis, J. Bright Goodbar, A. E. Jennings, J. W. Bates, J. E. Milworth, Mayor J. R. Paine, Fred Collins, R. Jordan, C. A. Gerber, A. M. Austin.

**CHAMBER DIRECTORS
TO DISCUSS FINANCES**

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce to be held Friday afternoon, plans for raising a fund for the publicity department of the chamber will be brought up. It was intimated Friday that the proposed drive to raise a fund of \$5,000 for this may be called off by the directors for the reason that the chamber intends to launch a drive for a larger fund this fall that will be used to take care of all of the departments, the publicity section included.

CHAPMAN BURIED.

Funeral services for George M. Chapman, known as the "crippled grocerman," who died Thursday at the Baptist hospital, were held from the family residence, 48 Jones avenue, at 2:30 p.m. Friday burial being in Forest Hill cemetery.

Mr. Chapman had been in the grocery business about 27 years.

VISITS MEMPHIS.

Charles des Brink, of Bern, Switzerland, arrived in Memphis Friday. He is here on a combined business and pleasure trip and expects to call on several business houses while in the city. He is registered at the Hotel Chica.

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THE HASKIN LETTER ABOUT YOUR WATCH

BY FREDERIC J. HASKIN.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—A watch is the most delicate bit of apparatus with which the average person is so tiny that it is said a thumb would hold 100,000 of them. Its springs and pivots are so fragile that the watch falls only to the end of its chain they may be injured. Yet most of us are no more careful of the sensitive mechanism and complex mechanism of our timepieces than we are of a jack knife, pen or anything else that goes in our pockets.

We are inclined to smile pityingly at the poor old Mad Hatter in "Alice in Wonderland" when his watch refuses to go after a liberal dose of butter. It was the best butter," he remarks sadly. This best exaggeration seems altogether humorous, but at the same time our own watches may be as glaring examples of unsatisfactory treatment.

We are told not to drop a watch on its head, but there is no part of a watch's anatomy on which it can fall with safety. If you can count the number of jars and knocks your time-keeper has stood, you know one good reason why you have to reset the hands so often.

Then, a good watch doesn't take kindly to being used as a combination pocket-cutting and rattling toy. It isn't kept on playing tennis, and it is apt to get sulky and keep bad time if you go swimming with it on your wrist. Every three years it needs to be cleaned up and given an oil rub by a capable repairer—not by an amateur with a pin. To various industries it will submit for a time, according to the degree of rough handling, and continue to tell you just how much you can knock about before it will succumb.

If you really want your watch to keep accurate time, it will pay you to see that your treatment of it follows the rules set down by the time section of the bureau of standards. The first and most important of these is regularly winding it at definite times, preferably in the morning, though if it is more convenient, it will do almost as well. Winding in the morning is advocated on the ground that the spring will be better able to stand the strains of daytime use when it is recently wound, but whatever system you choose, stick to it.

Giving the stem a few twists whenever you look at the time is bad. Along the same line of keeping your watch on a schedule is the effect of varying positions. The worst place to wear a watch, if it is worn for official purposes, is on a swinging chain, where it will bounce about and bang against the furniture. On the wrist, as good a place as any for a woman's watch, the bureau of standards says, is on the wrist, but it must be carried in a timepiece in his pocket, in a chain case to prevent it from turning over. Theoretically, the best place for a watch is horizontal," says Mr. Best, time expert of the bureau of standards.

But no one can carry a watch that way in the daytime. The important thing to keep the treatment uniform is to wear it in a pocket each day, and so many hours flat at night. If the treatment is systematic, and the watch will run uniformly, then by regulation you can bring it to a small rate of daily change, and it will stay constant.

"A watch will run off several minutes in a few days for two reasons," he continues. "First, if it possesses a large difference of rate in different positions, and second, if it is not kept the same number of hours each day in its customary position, the error will accumulate."

A good watch will have about ten or twelve seconds variation between the slowest and fastest rate in any position—dial up, dial down, or any vertical position except with the stem down. Quite frequently we are asked to test watches for which the position error is considerably above one hundred seconds a day.

The bureau of standards says that few people buy a watch intelligently. Americans are obsessed with the idea that accuracy and the number of jewels are the same thing. As a matter of fact, Mr. Best points out, the quality of a timepiece depends on the amount of special work put on it, and not entirely on the number of jewels.

Jewels in a watch are bearings for the shafts of the wheels, precious stones being used for this purpose because of their extreme hardness. In some watches only the most important bearings are jeweled, but higher priced models are usually fully jeweled—that is, all of the bearings are tiny garnets, rubies, sapphires or diamonds.

This part of the mechanism is important, but no more so than some other parts.

"A well-made seventeen-jewel watch can keep better time than a twenty-three-jewel one," Mr. Best says. "But most of the twenty-three jewel watches made in the United States receive more attention by the manufacturer than seventeen-jewel watches. In fact, the only watches that receive the attention necessary to make them really accurate timepieces are the large-sized watches usually sold as railroad watches."

The accuracy of which a watch is capable depends to a large extent on the assembling of the parts. The balance wheel must be carefully poised, for example, and the hairspring accurately shaped to a certain ideal. It is difficult to make a small watch so carefully, but it can be done, and a small man's watch that will keep good time can be bought."

The business man, railroad employee, or anyone else who wants a timepiece that he can rely on is advised to inquire into the accuracy of the watch he is buying, as to its difference of rate in various positions and temperatures. The bureau of standards says that the purchaser of an expensive watch ask the salesman if it has passed the government test and obtained a certificate, as many manufacturers and dealers send their best watches to the bureau to be tested, and sell them with their certificates.

The tests mentioned are conducted by the time section of the bureau, beginning each week. Anyone can send a watch to be tested, but unless the watch ordinarily keeps good time it would have small chance of obtaining a certificate. The test lasts 15 days, and at the end of that time the bureau returns the watch with a report of its performance, whether it wins a certificate or not. The time section asks us to emphasize the fact that it does not clean, oil or repair watches, but simply gives them a set test for accuracy. The fee for making the test is \$1.50.

To pass the government test a watch is placed in a glass-walled compartment in which constant temperature is maintained, and is allowed to run for two days each at 50, 75, and 95 degrees Fahrenheit. To make the readings, a special instrument, called a chronograph, is used, by which the time can be read within a tenth of a second.

To pass the government test, the slowest rate of the watch at any position must not differ from the fastest position by more than five seconds; the slowest rate at any temperature must not differ from the rate in dial-up position by more than five seconds; and the rate at the end of the test must not differ from the rate of the beginning by more than four seconds.

The important thing is that the watch run uniformly, as a uniform rate of error can be eliminated by proper regulation. To avoid giving a certificate to a watch that gains or loses too much, the bureau uses another criterion which specifies that the rate in pendant-up position (held vertical) must not exceed seven seconds.

The owner of a watch that holds its own against all these complications is certainly justified in maintaining that he carries the correct time.

**AUTUMN HATS ARE
RICH IN COLOR**

Color, which has played so prominent a part in the summer clothes, is being used again and in a greater degree than usual for winter. We find it in a dark velvet hat with feathers of vivid salmon pink; again on a Leon-tine model, ribbon in vivid color used abundantly to suggest a feather in the bright American Beauty shade.

In shape we find tremendous variety. The turbans are worn if anything a little lower, while the brimmed hats have somewhat higher crowns, perhaps. Hats are still worn well down on the head, so the eyebrows are just visible.

In materials, duvety, velvet, some taffeta for the "demiseison"—all play their part, as well as a rather rough beaver cloth which is sometimes combined with duvety or satin—July-August Good Housekeeping.

PERMIT ISSUED.

A building permit was issued Friday for the erection of a \$10,000 home, to be built of brick veneer. It will be an eight-room bungalow, with hot water heat. The permit was issued to L. L. Dahl, contractor for W. Levy, who will own the house.

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